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**RESPONSE TO
ELECTION OF
SPECIES
REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Election of Species Requirement dated March 21, 2005, Applicants elect the embodiment of species I, as shown in Figure 1, for examination. Claims 1-6, 9, 10 and 16-20 read on the elected species. New claims 26-34 also read upon the elected species. The election is made without traverse. By making this election and selecting these claims for examination, however, Applicants do not restrict the scope of the listed claims to only the features of the exemplary embodiment shown in Fig. 1. Rather, these claims may also read, for example, on other exemplary embodiments described in the specification, and should be afforded the broadest scope allowed by the relevant prior art.

Examination of the application on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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